

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

MI. Ebrahim Bhamjee (may Allah have mercy on him) had great love and respect for Mufti Radha ul Haq. It has been his habit for a long time to have breakfast with Mufti Radha very often. After breakfast, he would walk down with Mufti Radha to the *Dawrat al-Hadīth* classroom.

It was through this routine of his that I became close with MI. Ebrahim. I would see him in the mornings before class, and I can safely say that every single time I met him, he had a huge smile on his face. He would often greet me with a hug and ask about my health and my family.

He had vast knowledge of the history of Gujarat, and the history of ‘ilm and ‘Ulamā` in Gujarat. He had expressed sorrow over the fact that many books in Gujarati have not been translated into Urdu or English, and over the fact that many people do not even know this history.

Although he was tested with many trials in the service of *deen*, he persevered through them and used them as a lesson for others in his advices.

He was also somewhat of a hakeem. If I ever mentioned that anyone was unwell, he would immediately offer some form of natural remedy that would help with the illness.

He was an amazing person with an amazing personality, and he would give great advice. I think this is due to his habit of spending lots of time with great ‘ulamā` such as Mufti Radha ul Haq.

During my time of study, MI. Ebrahim showed me some written advices he received from Mufti Radha ul Haq when he graduated in 1985. Later on in January 2021, He asked me to type it out, place a border around it, and print it out so it can be beneficial for others.

MI. Ebrahim Bhamjee passed away on 30th June 2021. I humbly request that whomsoever reads this document makes du`ā for MI. Ebrahim and do some form of *īṣāl al-thawāb* for him. May Allah *ta`ālā* forgive all of his sins and grant him direct entry into *Jannah*. Ameen

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The following is a translation of Mf. Radha Ul Haq’s written advices to MI. Ebrahim Bhamjee:

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

Firstly, I would like to request that you do not forget this humble servant in your prayers. Furthermore, whenever you remember this humble servant, make du'ā for success in this world and the hereafter, and according to your capability, act upon the following advices:

1. Put the service of *deen* first, and consider it your primary objective. Make the fear of Allah *ta'ālā*, good actions, *taqwā*, and sincerity your motto.
2. Absorb yourself into the work of *deen* to such an extent, that the names of our *akābir* shine, and a yearning and craving for *deen* is developed in the hearts of others. Absorb yourself to such an extent that people will be forced to ask, "From which pure tree did this pure fruit come from?"
3. Make good character, tolerance, honour for religion, steadfastness on *deen*, avoiding miserliness, avoiding bad character, and a hate for sin a key part of your life.
4. Completely avoid those actions that denigrate the religion and the people of religion (*ahl-e-dīn*).
5. Strive to achieve a mastery over the main fields of knowledge, which are commonly referred to as *manqūlāt*. Do not be negligent of fields of knowledge such as *Tafsīr*, *ḥadīth*, *fiqh*, history and *sīrah*, *aqā'id* and *'ilm al-kalām*. Keep the answers to doubts of the new age ready in your mind, and in times of need, gently answer these doubts and objections.
6. Have a connection with the youth and with educated professionals. Influence them with the sharpness of your character and the sword of your knowledge. Furthermore, periodically meet your classmates, teachers, and elders. Value those who have a passion for *deen*.
7. Do not falter in the pursuit of new *fitnahs*. And make *du'ā* that Allah *ta'ālā* grants you *tawfīq*. Whichever book or subject you wish to teach, fully discuss all aspects of it in simple words. do not fear anyone's reproach in the path of Allah *ta'ālā*.
8. Do not forget teaching Quran to the common people. Moreover, when it is time to explain and do *Tafsīr* of the Quran, along with looking at the older *tafāsīr*, benefit from the newer *tafāsīr* as well.
9. Instead of criticising someone by taking their name, do a knowledge based (*'ilmī*) analysis and criticism of the *masa'il* related to that person. Furthermore, do not consider secondary (*furū'ī*) differed upon issues to be the main battlefield, rather, save yourself from falling into conflict regarding these matters. Although, do not forget to clarify the stance of our *akābir*.
10. Some scholars have the illness of jealousy. Save yourself from this. Appreciate the bounties that others have. Respect other scholars and be humble in front of them. Completely avoid harmful illnesses such as enmity and evil.

تلك عشرة كاملة

فقط والله اعلم

وفقنا الله وإياكم لكل خير وسعادة

